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Cnd-1 and a liquid distribution zone extending to another surface;

a lower fibrous liquid storage layer in liquid communication with the distribution zone surface of said upper layer, said storage layer including superabsorbent polymer particles; and

a containment layer surrounding the storage layer and extending to outer edges of said structure, said containment layer containing fibers and superabsorbent polymer particles of said storage layer against a distribution zone surface of the upper layer, and wherein the containment layer is sealed to at least one lateral edge of said structure.

A³ 3. (Amended) The structure of claim 1 wherein said lower storage layer is an airfelt layer.

A⁴ sub 8. (Amended) The structure of claim 7 wherein said thermoplastic film is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene and polypropylene.

REMARKS

This submission is in response to the Official Action dated March 28, 2002. Entry of the foregoing amendments and reconsideration of the application as amended, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3, and 8 have been amended. Claim 4 has been canceled,